

Help with Writing an Essay for **The Pearl** 😊

When you write your essay, include an **opening paragraph** that states the answer to your question. At the same time, you want to pull your reader in to reading your essay.

Body-responding to the question with supporting detail from the text. It is not necessary to say, “for example,” “like when” or repeating the previous statement then adding because. I think money is the root to all evil. I think money is the root to all evil because...

Closing- wrap up your paper by stating a key idea from your intro in a different way and bringing up one or two of your highlights from the body.

Essay 1-begin by saying that this novel is filled with themes and symbols. Spend one page discussing three themes and the second page discussing 3 symbols. Make sure that you support these with themes and symbols with story details.

Essay 2-Take one side: money brings evil to people OR people create their own evil with money. Convince me with your spin on events that happened in the text to support your position.

Essay 3-This is a before and after question. Describe Kino’s family life before he found the pearl. Include how they lived, what they did, what they valued. Then discuss how each of the things in the first half of your essay changed once he got the “pearl of the world.”

Essay 4-This essay has four parts: 1.) Describe what the rich have (use the doctor as an example) then describe what the poor have by using Kino’s family. 2.) How are the poor controlled by the rich? 3.) Discuss the poverty cycle. 4.) What will break the poverty cycle? Luck? A change in what the government provides?